

Botanical Name	Common Name		
<u>Abelia x grandiflora 'Sunrise'</u>		Origin Asia	Family Caprifoliaceae
Small evergreen shrubs, very easy to grow. This cultivar has a strong yellow variegation and a compact arching form, usually under 3'. Full sun or part shade, very cold hardy. Would do well on a bank. No real maintenance, can be cut to the ground to flush fresh new growth from the base.			
<u>Aloe vera barbadensis</u>		Origin S. Africa	Family Liliaceae
The large form of the medicinal Aloe. The large leaves are thick and succulent, yellow flowers on tall spikes appear in the winter and spring. Easy to grow, better in high light or sun. Relatively cold hardy, propagate by division. The juicy flesh of the plant can be used for burns.			
<u>Alstroemeria hyb. 'Dwarf Purple'</u>	Peruvian Lily	Origin	Family Liliaceae
Tuberous perennials from South America, hardy to 5 degrees. The clusters of funnel shaped flowers are prized for their long lasting qualities as a cut flower. Actually quite easy to grow, they prefer a rich well drained soil and a sunny location, full sun or a little shade inland. If the plants are well watered and fed they can be pushed to bloom all summer, if allowed to go dry they will go summer dormant. This selection has a compact form with lavender purple flowers. Pull individual stems out of the ground when done blooming.			
<u>Anigozanthos flavidus</u>	Kangaroo Paw	Origin Australia	Family Haemodorum
Kangaroo Paws are Australian spiky perennials. This species has tall chartreuse flowers in the spring and summer to about 5'. Very drought tolerant once established in the ground, water well the first year, but make sure they have good drainage. Full sun, many other colors and dwarf forms available. Like regular water in containers. If plants dry out the long-lasting flowers will dry up, but plant will recover to bloom the following year.			
<u>Bulbinopsis 'Hallmark Salmon'</u>		Origin	Family
A succulent with narrow foliage and small light orange spikes almost all year long. easy to grow, full sun or part shade. drought tolerant once established. The common species is much larger and has a yellow flower. 'Hallmark' is compact and well behaved.			
<u>Butia capitata</u>	Pindo Palm	Origin S America	Family Arecaceae
A beautiful cold hardy, drought tolerant palm. It has a smooth fat trunk, and arching feather-like fronds, no spines make it easy to work with. Can be slow, but will grow faster with regular water and feeding.			
<u>Caesalpinia gilliesii</u>	Poinciana, Mexican Bird of	Origin America	Family Fabaceae
An incredibly drought tolerant shrub from the desert. The more heat and sun the better. The shrub has a open airy feel, the ends of the branches are topped with yellow flowers with protruding red stamens. Very showy. Briefly dormant in the winter.			
<u>Calliandra eriophylla</u>		Origin California	Family
Desert native powder puff shrub. Pink and white ball like puff flowers in the spring and summer, the more heat the better. Usually slow to about 3' tall and around with very lacy foliage. Best in sun. can be grow from seed.			
<u>Cercis canadensis 'Oklahoma'</u>	Redbud Tree	Origin Eastern US	Family Fabaceae
Redbuds are small deciduous trees to about 20'. Grow primarily for the showy spring display of pink flower covering all the branches, usually around March and April. The foliage is heart shaped and lightly flutters on the breeze, even when dormant this tree has a great branch structure. This form has darker flowers and attractive shiny foliage. Can be grow anywhere in San Diego County and is even drought tolerant once established.			
<u>Coprosma 'Pink Splendor'</u>	Variegated Mirror Plant	Origin New Zealand	Family
Smaller evergreen shrubs from New Zealand usually under 5' tall. The broad shiny variegated foliage has a pink glow. Tolerate salt spray, but also does well inland. Easy to grow, full sun or part, regular water. Prunes well.			
<u>Erysimum 'Bowles Mauve'</u>	Purple Wall Flower	Origin Mediterranean	Family Brassicaceae
A compact bushy drought tolerant perennial with purple flowers year round. Grows to three feet around, easy to grow. No pests or disease. Garden hybrid. Very popular, deadhead periodically to promote fresh bloom. Likes full sun and good drainage.			
<u>Erysimum linifolium variegatum</u>	Variegated Wall Flower	Origin Southern Europe	Family Brassicaceae
A bushy perennial to 2' with strongly variegated leaves complimented by purple flowers in the spring summer and fall. Drought tolerant once established. This perennial is very popular, and with good reason. It's easy to grow, and drought tolerant once established. Full sun is best, but part shade is okay. A light frost doesn't affect it.			
<u>Euphorbia xanthii</u>		Origin Mexico	Family Euphorbiaceae
A Mexican shrubby perennial with showy clusters of small pink flowers atop slender arching stems. Long blooming, can grow to about 6', once established will sucker and makes a clump. Common in Baja, it loves heat and abuse. The flowers are lightly fragrant.			
<u>Freesia 'Ballerina'</u>		Origin	Family Iridaceae
South African Bulbs, that bloom in the spring, frighteningly easy to grow, multiplying and coming back every year. This form is yellow with a nice fragrance and makes a great cut flower. Will tolerate drought, but grows bigger with irrigation. Summer dormant bulbs will tolerate summer watering without rotting.			
<u>Gelsemium sempervirens</u>		Origin	Family
A very cold hardy flowering vine, bright lemon yellow blooms burst forth the late winter and early spring. Grow to less than 15', good for small gardens. Great to spill down a wall or use as a ground cover. Foliage is a pleasant green the rest of the year, trim after bloom to maintain.			
<u>Geranium x oxonianum 'Wageningen'</u>		Origin	Family Geraniaceae
European perennials called cranesbills with mounds of foliage and salmon pink flowers in the spring and summer. Regular water promotes a long bloom season, medium size 1.5' tall by a 3'. Full sun or part shade, heat and cold tolerant. Can be divided in the spring.			
<u>Hemerocallis aurantiaca (Orange)</u>	Cape Tulip	Origin Africa South	Family
Drought tolerant bulbs (actually corms) from South Africa, with light orange flowers atop 18" tall grass-like foliage, in the spring. Multiplies freely, easy to grow, full sun or part shade. They are poisonous to cattle, so don't plant them on your cattle ranch. Summer dormant			

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<u>Nandina domestica ‘Firepower’</u>	Origin	Family
Easy to grow compact evergreen shrubs, ‘Firepower’ has foliage turns dark red in the fall, full size is about 3’ x 3’. Developed in New Zealand. Likes regular water but tolerant of extremes. Full sun or part shade, although it colors up best in the sun.		

<u>Pennisetum rubrum</u>	Red Fountain Grass	Origin	Family Poaceae
A popular ornamental grass with bronzy red foliage and showy plumes in the fall, gets about 4’ by 4’. Grows best in full sun. While its supposedly sterile, it can reseed, but not aggressively. Cut to ground in the spring to rejuvenate. Making it look like a shaving brush is not a solution. Give it room to get to its full size.			

<u>Persicaria ‘Red Dragon’</u>	Origin	Family
A perennial with colorful red foliage and pretty white flowers in loose open upright spikes in the late summer. It prefers part shade or sun with regular moisture, briefly winter dormant. Can get to 3’ or more with enough water. Dryer condition will keep plant more compact.		

<u>Rhaphiolepis 'Majestic Beauty'</u>	Hybrid Indian Hawthorn	Origin Asia	Family
Easy to grow evergreen shrub. Full sun is best for bloom, but will tolerate part shade, drought tolerant once established. A hybrid of Raphiolepis and Eriobotria (Loquat). Large leaves and large fragrant pink flower clusters in the spring. Grows to 10’ -15’ and wide, laces beautifully, the bark is attractive as is the structure.			

<u>Salvia x superba 'Blue Hills' (Syn. S. nemorosa)</u>	Origin	Family Lamiace
Basal rosette of foliage gives rise to light blue flowers in early spring through late fall. Grows to 18’ tall. Cut back for repeat bloom. Full sun, average water. Easy to grow, no disease or pest problems. A very cold hardy hybrid Salvia.		

<u>Syagrus romanzoffianum (syn. Arecastrum r.)</u>	Queen Palm	Origin	Family
The popular Queen palm. A South American thornless palm that grows very easily to an eventual 60’ tall (1’ per year once established) Quite cold hardy to about 25 degrees, more when older. Feather like fronds are very lacy and pretty, although old dead fronds will need to be cleaned off annually to keep neat. As the plant matures seed production can be a nuisance. Transplants effortlessly, which is one big reason it is so used so often.			